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1. Socialist collaboration with the Monarchists was brought into question at the Congress of the Union General de Trabajadores (UGT) in Toulouse in late January 1949. A group of twelve Ugetistas, led by Wenceslao CARRILLO, demanded that the names of the Monarchists involved in the negotiations and the factions which they represented be revealed to the Congress. The twelve delegates presented a motion to review the question of the UGT's relations with the Monarchists. Paulino GOMEZ Beltran, who presided over the Congress, sought to have the motion withdrawn on the ground that an appearance of unity must be preserved in regard to the Spanish political problem. After the proponents of the motion refused to withdraw it, it was defeated by a vote of 95 to 12.
2. CARRILLO was defeated by GOMEZ Beltran for a post on the new Executive Committee of the UGT.
3. The formation of the Monarchist-Socialist Liaison Committee had been somewhat delayed, according to the informant, by the involvement of the Bilbao Socialists with the Alianza Nacional de Fuerzas Democraticas. The latter organization reportedly persuaded the Socialists to withhold approval of the "Eight Points" pending the establishment of an exile ANFD branch. The arrival in Toulouse of the UGT delegate from inside the Basque Country ended the delay when that delegate, in the name of the Basque Socialists, acknowledged that they had been unduly influenced by the ANFD and gave unqualified approval to the "Prieto Plan." \*
4. Although the Liaison Committee, according to the informant, had been constituted officially, it was not actually functioning in early February. The Socialists had selected Trifon GOMEZ as their representative on the Committee, with Antonio PEREZ, representing Socialists inside Spain, as an alternate, but the Monarchists wanted Indalecio PRIETO to be the Socialist representative. The Socialists acceded to the Monarchist desire and appointed PRIETO, with Trifon GOMEZ as alternate. The informant commented that the Liaison Committee's activation would await PRIETO'S recovery from his illness.

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25X1A2g Spain had been ordered to break relations with the ANFD.

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